(b) Non-availability of spare terminal/ maintenance fiacilities at New Delhi Railway station.

Deal of ABB

2842. DR. SANJAYA SINH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the deal between Asea Brown Boveri and the Indian Railways for the purchase of State-of-the art locomotives has been finalised; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF)- (a) The matter is under consideration of the Government in the light of the report subhitted by Railway Convention Committee in November, 1992.

(b) Does not arise.

Proposal for laying of new railway lines in Gujarat

2843. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI:
SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Gujarat have sent any proposals to the Central Government for laying of new railway lines in that state;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what action has been taken thereon; and

(c) what are the details of other railway lines being laid in that state?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Government of Gujarat have demanded construction of the following new railway lines.

(1) Kapadvanj-Modasa

(2) Godhra-Lahod-Indore

(3) Vadodara-Indore- via Chhota Udepur

(4) Bhavnagar-Tarapur

(5) Bhachau-Khavda

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The new lines included in the Railway Budget are:

(i) Kapadvanj-Modasa (60.5 kms)

(ii) Godhara-Indore and Dewas-Maksi (316 kms—81kms in Gujarat)

Other proposals could not be considered on account of their unremunerative nature and constraint of resources.

Allotment of Stalls at Stations in Western and Northern Railway

2844. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of stalls allotted at various stations in the country particularly in Western and Norhern Railway during the last six months;

(b) the names and owners of the stall holders whom they allotted what are the alongwith Station-wise allotments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) and (b) Innumber of applications received by Governmen for seeking allotment of Railway stalls;

(c) what is the criteria of allotment of Railway stalls to the General public, whether there is any special scheme for Ex-servicemen, SC/ST and widows; and

(d) what is the number of stalls allotformation is being collected and will be ted upto the end of 1992 in each State Railway stations for particular items laid on the Table of the Sabha.

(c) Allotment of stalls is done by the Zonal Railways by inviting applications from the professional/reputed caterers. Applications received are screened by a Screening Committee and contract awarded to the most suitable candidate on merits, after approval from competent authority. Howeveer, in case of small and roadside stations, preference is given to SC/ST candidates.

(d) State-wise figures of allotments are not being maintained.

Capacity utilisation of railway route

2845. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the percentage of capacity utilisation of Vijayawada-Secunderabad routes via Nadikude as well as Vijayawada-Secunderabad via Kazipeta;

(b) what is the incidence of punctuality of trains on boths routes;

(c) whether there is congestion on any of the two;

(d) if so, what steps are taken to relieve congestion; and

(e) what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) Percentage of capacity utilisation on Vijayawada-Nadikude-Secunderabad and Vijayawada-Kazipeta-Secunderabad routes are 115.7 per cent and 94.5 per cent, respectively.

(b) The average punctuality of trains on the Vijayawada-Nadikude-Secunderabad is 80 per cent while on the Vijayawada-Kazipeta-Secunderabad routes it is 70 to 80 per cent.

(c) Yes, Sir. Both the routes are congested.

(d) Conversion of Secunderabad-Dronachellam, Gutur-Guntakkal, Manmad-Parbhani-Parli Vaijnath and Adilabad-Parbhani sections is being done which will relieve congestion on these routes.

(e) Position about conversion is given below:—

Section	Length (in Kms.)	Cost (Rs. in Crores)	Likely date of completion
Secunderabad—Dronachellam—Bolarum	331	226.4	1994-95
Guntur—Guntakkal—Kalluru	458	225.0	1995-96
Adilabad—Parbhani	248	212.8	1995-96
Manmad—Parbhani—Parli Vaijnath	354	140.54	1993-94

उत्तर प्रदेश में छोटी लाइन का बड़ी लाइन में परिवर्तन

2846. श्री राम नरेश यादव : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या उत्तर प्रदेश के पूर्वी जिलों में छोटी लाइन को बड़ी लाइन में परिवर्तित किए जाने की कोई योजना है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका पूरा ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(ग) इस योजना के कब तक पूरा कर लिए जाने की संभावना है ?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री के०सी० लेंका) :(क) से (ग) उत्तर प्रदेश के पूर्वी जिलों में कोई छोटी लाइन नहीं है।